

IN THE CLAIMS:

9. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for punching holes through a moving transported continuous film comprising:

a framework,

at least one roller attached to said framework;

an optical encoder attached to the at least one roller;

at least one punch assembly containing a steel ball to strike a circular hole in a die
connected to said framework;

at least one solenoid valve connected to said at least one punch assembly;

at least one compressed air source connected to said at least one solenoid valve.

10. The apparatus of claim 9 further comprising a computer communicably attached to said optical encoder and the at least one solenoid valve, wherein said computer actuates the at least one solenoid valve thereby actuating said at least one punch assembly.

11. (New) An apparatus for punching holes through a moving transported continuous film comprising:

a framework,

at least one roller attached to said framework;

an optical encoder attached to the at least one roller;

at least one punch assembly containing a steel ball to strike a circular hole in a die
connected to said framework;

at least one solenoid valve connected to said at least one punch assembly;
at least one compressed air source connected to said at least one solenoid valve; and
a computer communicably attached to said optical encoder and the at least one
solenoid valve, wherein said computer actuates the at least one solenoid valve thereby actuating said
at least one punch assembly.

12. (New) An apparatus for punching holes through a moving transported continuous film
comprising:

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a framework,
at least one roller attached to said framework;
an optical encoder attached to the at least one roller;
at least one compressed air source connected to said at least one solenoid valve; and
a computer communicably attached to said optical encoder and at least one solenoid
valve, wherein said computer actuates at least one solenoid valve to thereby actuate at least one
punch assembly.
